# UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY	No. 12-md-2323 (AB)
LITIGATION	MDL No. 2323
THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:	SHORT FORM COMPLAINT
THIS BOCCHIENT REENTES TO.	IN RE: NATIONAL FOOTBALL
Plaintiffs' Master Administrative Long-	LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION
Form Complaint and (if applicable)	INJURY LITIGATION
Wooden v. National Football League [et	
al.], No. 12-cv-01037 (E.D. Pa.)	
DERRIUS D. THOMPSON	JURY TRIAL DEMANDED

# **SHORT FORM COMPLAINT**

- 1. Plaintiff(s), <u>DERRIUS D. THOMPSON</u>, (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse)
  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, bring(s) this civil action as a related action in the matter entitled IN RE:

  NATIONAL FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYERS' CONCUSSION INJURY LITIGATION,

  MDL No. 2323.
- 2. Plaintiff (and, if applicable, Plaintiff's Spouse) is/are filing this short form complaint as required by this Court's Case Management Order No. 2, filed April 26, 2012.
- 3. Plaintiff (and, if applicable Plaintiff's Spouse), incorporate(s) by reference the allegations (as designated below) of the Master Administrative Long-Form Complaint, as may be amended, as if fully set forth at length in this Short Form Complaint.

4.	[Fill in if applicable] P	Plaintiff is filing this case in a r	representative capacity as the
	of	, havir	ng been duly appointed as the
	by the	Court of	(Cross out
sentence bel	ow if not applicable.) Co	pies of the Letters of Adminis	stration/Letters Testamentary
for a wrongf	ul death claim are annexed	d hereto if such Letters are req	uired for the commencement
of such a cl	aim by the Probate, Surre	ogate or other appropriate co	urt of the jurisdiction of the
decedent.			

- 5. Plaintiff, **DERRIUS D. THOMPSON** is a resident and citizen of **Texas** and claims damages as set forth below.
- 6. [Fill in if applicable] Plaintiff's spouse, \_\_\_\_\_\_, is a resident and citizen of \_\_\_\_\_ and claims damages as a result of loss of consortium proximately caused by the harm suffered by her Plaintiff husband/decedent.
- 7. On information and belief, the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, Plaintiff suffers (or decedent suffered) from symptoms of brain injury caused by the repetitive, traumatic sub-concussive and/or concussive head impacts the Plaintiff (or decedent) sustained during NFL games and/or practices. On information and belief, the Plaintiff's (or decedent's) symptoms arise from injuries that are latent and have developed and continue to develop over time.
- 8. [Fill in if applicable] The original complaint by Plaintiff(s) in this matter was filed in the **United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida**. If the case is

remanded, it should be remanded to United States District Court for the Southern District of Florida.

	9.	Plaintiff claims damages as a result of [check all that apply]:	
		✓ Injury to Herself/Himself	
		Injury to the Person Represented	
		Wrongful Death	
		Survivorship Action	
		✓ Economic Loss	
		Loss of Services	
		Loss of Consortium	
	<del>10.</del>	[Fill in if applicable] As a result of the injuries to her husband	
		, Plaintiff's Spouse,, suffers from a loss of	
onso	<del>rtium, i</del>	ncluding the following injuries:	
	<u>los</u>	es of marital services;	
	<u>— lo</u>	ss of companionship, affection or society;	
	<u>— lo</u>	ss of support; and	
	<u>— mc</u>	onetary losses in the form of unreimbursed costs she has had to expend for the	
	health care and personal care of her husband.		

11. [Check if applicable] \_\_\_\_ Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) reserve(s) the right to object to federal jurisdiction.

		<u>DEFENDANTS</u>
12.	Plainti	ff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) bring(s) this case against the
following Defendants in this action [check all that apply]:		
	<u>✓</u>	National Football League
	<u>✓</u>	NFL Properties, LLC
		Riddell, Inc.
	_	All American Sports, Inc. (d/b/a Riddell Sports Group, Inc.)
	_	Riddell Sports Group, Inc.
		Easton-Bell Sports, Inc.
	_	Easton-Bell Sports, LLC
	_	EB Sports Corporation
	_	RBG Holdings Corporation
13.	[ <del>Checl</del>	k where applicable] As to each of the Riddell Defendants referenced above,
the claims ass	erted ar	re: design defect; informational defect; manufacturing defect.
14.	[Checl	k if applicable] The Plaintiff (or decedent) wore one or more helmets
designed and/	<del>or man</del>	ufactured by the Riddell Defendants during one or more years Plaintiff (or
decedent) play	<del>yed in tl</del>	ne NFL and/or AFL.

15. Plaintiff played in [check if applicable] ✓ the National Football League ("NFL") and/or in [check if applicable] \_\_\_\_ the American Football League ("AFL") during 1999 to 2004 for the following teams: Miami Dolphins and Washington Redskins.

# **CAUSES OF ACTION**

16.	Plaint	iff herein adopts by reference the following Counts of the Master
Administrativ	ve Long	g-Form Complaint, along with the factual allegations incorporated by
reference in the	hose Co	ounts [check all that apply]:
	<u>✓</u>	Count I (Action for Declaratory Relief – Liability (Against the NFL))
	<u>✓</u>	Count II (Medical Monitoring (Against the NFL))
		Count III (Wrongful Death and Survival Actions (Against the NFL))
	<u>√</u>	Count IV (Fraudulent Concealment (Against the NFL))
	<u>✓</u>	Count V (Fraud (Against the NFL))
	<u>✓</u>	Count VI (Negligent Misrepresentation (Against the NFL))
		Count VII (Negligence Pre-1968 (Against the NFL))
	<u>✓</u>	Count VIII (Negligence Post-1968 (Against the NFL))
	_	Count IX (Negligence 1987-1993 (Against the NFL))
	<u>✓</u>	Count X (Negligence Post-1994 (Against the NFL))
		Count XI (Loss of Consortium (Against the NFL and Riddell Defendants))

	<u>√</u>	Count XII (Negligent Hiring (Against the NFL))
	<u>✓</u>	Count XIII (Negligent Retention (Against the NFL))
	_	Count XIV (Strict Liability for Design Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants))
	_	Count XV (Strict Liability for Manufacturing Defect (Against the Riddell Defendants))
	_	Count XVI (Failure to Warn (Against the Riddell Defendants))
	_	Count XVII (Negligence (Against the Riddell Defendants))
	<u>✓</u>	Count XVIII (Civil Conspiracy/Fraudulent Concealment (Against All-the NFL Defendants))
17.		Plaintiff asserts the following additional causes of action [write in or attach]:

## **PRAYER FOR RELIEF**

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff (and Plaintiff's Spouse, if applicable) pray(s) for judgment as follows:

- A. An award of compensatory damages, the amount of which will be determined at trial;
- B. For punitive and exemplary damages as applicable;
- C. For all applicable statutory damages of the state whose laws will govern this action;
- D. For medical monitoring, whether denominated as damages or in the form of equitable relief;
- E. For an award of attorneys' fees and costs;
- F. An award of prejudgment interest and costs of suit; and
- G. An award of such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

### **JURY DEMANDED**

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 38, Plaintiff(s) hereby demand(s) a trial by jury.

DATED: this 12th day of July, 2012.

### RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED:

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